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**Via Email: 74877-59967864@requests.muckrock.com**

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Dear Ms. Best:

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) acknowledges your request, dated and received by the OIG on June 5, 2019, for "[c]opies of records mentioning or describing audits, reviews, investigations or reports regarding the agency's cyber security, including audits or investigations regarding the state of the agency's cyber security regarding potential attacks as well as audits and investigations conducted in the wake of a suspected or actual cyber attack, hacking incident or breach. Please include materials generated between 1 January 1996 and 30 June 2016."

The Smithsonian Institution and its OIG answer requests consistent with the written policy, *Requests for Smithsonian Institution Information* (Smithsonian Directive 807), when providing information to the public. A copy of the policy is posted at <https://www.si.edu/Content/Pdf/About/Records-Requests/SD807.pdf>. Consistent with the policy, the Smithsonian Institution and its OIG conform to the principles of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a, and other relevant law when answering requests. In addition, this office must comply with the requirements of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. 3, which places restrictions on what information can be released by OIG.

Please be advised that your request, as written, is overly broad in its scope and would impose an unreasonably burdensome search. We post all of our available audit reports, dating back to 2003, on our website at <https://www.si.edu/OIG/Archive>. As for your request for other OIG records, please contact me if you would like assistance with reformulating your request. If we do not receive a revised request within 20 business days, we will consider this matter closed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Epin H. Christensen".

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